Leasing out gaon sabha land

3467. SHRI P. UPENDRA: WiU the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Delhi Administration propose to lease out gaon sabha land for tre$_e$ plantation development and for preservation;

(b) if so, the extent of land to be leased out; and

(c) whether this was contrary to-the provisions of Delhi Land'Reforms Act, 1954?

THBT MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table ci f the Sabha.

Unauthorised construction in the Tis Hazari Courts complex

3468. SHRI P. UPENDRA; Will She Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased t$_0$ state:

(a) whether there is a large number of unauthorised structures constructed by the Delhi Bar Association in the Tig Hazari Courts Complex;

(b) whether these structures have been set up in violation of the provi sions of the Delhi "Master Plan-2001 and the building bye-laws; and

(c) if so, what action Government are taking in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The matter is reported to be presently sub-judiee in the Delhi High Court.

Unauthorised squatting by hawkers on pavements in Chandni Chowk, Delhi

3469. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the problem of un authorised squatting by hawkers on pavements have posed erosion in busi ness activities to the shop owners in the Chandni Chowk area;

(b) whether the traders of the area have urged Government to remove all such unauthorised hawkers on pave ments in the area;

(f? whether the connivance-of'the MOD and police have given rise to such unauthorised squatting on pave--ments; and

(d) if so. the steps Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) and (b) The Government is not aware of the effect of squatting by the hawkers on the business of shop owners in Chandni Chowk. However, the traders of the area have represented to Municipal Corporation of Delhi in this regard.

(c) and (d) No. Sir. M.C.D. reports that it conducts regular raids to re move unauthorised squatters from the area within available resources. A few squatters have managed to obtain stay orders from various courts res training MCD from taking action against them. However, constant effort* are made by MCD to reduce unauthorised squatting in the area as far as possible.

Drive by MCD and NDMC for facelift to Delhi

3470. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: WiU the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the MCD and NDMC recently launched a special dirive to give a face!if: to the city;